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## Remarks/Arguments:

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Claims 1 and 7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being unpatentable over Deas (US 2003/0043900). Furthermore, claims 2 and 8 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Deas in view of Tang (US 6,570,406). Claims 3 through 6 and 9 through 12, however, were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, claims 1, 2, 7 and 8 have been cancelled and claims 3, 4, 8 and 9 have been rewritten in independent form.

In view of the amendment set forth above, the above-identified application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested.

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